

**Resolution authorizing a one-year contract with Center of Science and Industry (COSI) to provide programs to Franklin County families, individuals and students that are designed to foster and strengthen interest in the sciences, technology and research  
(Community Partnerships) (\$325,000)**

**WHEREAS,** early childhood development and education; science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education; workforce development; and growth of the research and technology business segments are critical to the long term success of our community; and

**WHEREAS,** COSI actively offers programs that foster STEM education and thereby prepares children for success in school, supports family learning, and works with schools to prepare our children for a knowledge-based economy; and

**WHEREAS,** the Commissioners wish to support COSI programs and ensure access and foster learning in the sciences for Franklin County youths, especially those from families of need and schools in underserved neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS,** the Commissioners provide such support as authorized under Sections 307.23 and 307.761, ORC; and

**WHEREAS,** this expenditure is in line with the fiscal sustainability principles of Resolution 928-08, further, in accordance with the environmental principles of Res. 683-06; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. The attached purchase order, individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List, and the attached agreement in an amount not to exceed \$325,000 with the Center for Science and Industry (COSI) and the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, are hereby approved.

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cc: Auditor  
COSI